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FOLLOWING REPEAT USDEL SECRETARY JERUSALEM SECTO 1043 ACTION  
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S E C R E T SECTO 1043

EXDIS HANDLE AS NODIS

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS)

SUBJECT: LAYING GROUNDWORK FOR SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH SADAT

1. I THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF YOU COULD SEE SADAT OR,  
IF HE IS NOT AVAILABLE, MUBARAK, TO PREPARE THE GROUND A  
BIT FOR MY MEETING WITH SADAT TOMORROW. ANYTHING HE MAY  
BE ABLE TO CONVEY THROUGH YOU TO ME IN ADVANCE WOULD OF  
COURSE BE HELPFUL TO ME IN PREPARING FOR OUR TALK. YOU  
SHOULD SAY THAT I WILL BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN GETTING

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THE BEST POSSIBLE UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT SADAT'S PRESENT  
STRATEGY IS--WHAT HE SEES HAPPENING NEXT IN THE PEACE  
PROCESS, WHAT FUTURE STEPS HE HAS IN MIND AND WHERE HE IS  
HEADED. I PARTICULARLY HOPE HE WILL BE SHARING WITH  
ME WHAT HE HAS IN MIND FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE  
PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY ON SATURDAY. AS HE KNOWS, PRESIDENT  
CARTER WANTS TO DIRECT OUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT SADAT,

BUT TO DO THIS WE NEED TO KNOW AS PRECISELY AS POSSIBLE  
WHERE OUR EFFORTS CAN BE MOST USEFUL.

2. MY ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE JERUSALEM TALKS THE  
PAST TWO DAYS, AND PARTICULARLY THE SERIES OF MEETINGS  
I HAD WITH BOTH THE ISRAELI AND EGYPTIAN DELEGATIONS  
YESTERDAY, FOCUSED ON TRYING TO HAMMER OUT AN AGREED  
DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES WHICH WE HAVE UNDERSTOOD FROM SADAT  
AND HIS DELEGATION HERE WAS HIS NUMBER-ONE PRIORITY.  
WE WERE, IN FACT, MAKING HOPEFUL PROGRESS, PARTICULARLY  
IN MY LAST MEETING WITH DAYAN YESTERDAY WHICH CONCLUDED  
SHORTLY BEFORE SADAT'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT HE WAS  
RECALLING HIS DELEGATION AND ON WHICH, THEREFORE, I HAD  
NO OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEF HIS DELEGATION.

3. I WILL, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WANT TO DISCUSS WITH  
HIM WHERE WE ARE WITH RESPECT TO A DECLARATION AND, MORE  
GENERALLY, OUR VIEW THAT TEDIOUS AS NEGOTIATIONS SOMETIMES  
SEEM, WE SEE NO WAY TO MAKE PROGRESS ON THE SUBSTANTIVE  
ISSUES OF CONCERN TO HIM EXCEPT WHEN THERE IS AN ACTUAL  
AND ONGOING NEGOTIATION IN BEING. I THEREFORE  
COMMEND HIS WISE DECISION TO RESUME THE MILITARY  
COMMITTEE TALKS IN CAIRO AND WILL CONTINUE TO URGE PRIME  
MINISTER BEGIN, WHOM I WILL SEE LATER TODAY, TO SEND  
WEIZMAN BACK FOR THEIR RESUMPTION. I WILL ALSO BE  
SEEING DAYAN THIS EVENING. I HOPE YOU CAN CONVEY TO  
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SADAT A SENSE THAT WE ARE ASSUMING HE, LIKE OUR-  
SELVES, IS THINKING IN TERMS OF WHAT TO DO TO  
GET THE POLITICAL NEGOTIATIONS BACK ON TRACK.

4. WITH RESPECT TO SADAT'S QUERY ABOUT WEIZMAN'S PROPOSED  
VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND FUTURE AIRCRAFT SALES TO ISRAEL  
(CAIRO 2018), PLEASE TELL HIM THAT I WILL BE PREPARED  
TO EXPLAIN THIS MATTER TO HIM WHEN I SEE HIM TOMORROW.  
VANCE  
UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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